Statement-II

Quantity of rice and wheat procured by the Food Corporation of India and State agencies for the central pool during 1998-99 *to* 2001-02

(Qty. in '000 tonnes)

Year	Rice	Wheat
1998-99	11867	12652
1999-2000	17309	14144
2000-2001	19586	16357
2001-2002	21277	20630
1.4.2002 to 10.12.2002	8778	19024

Foodgrain stocks with FCI

2267. SHRI V.V. RAGHAVAN·
SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state the stocks of rice and wheat with the FCI as on March 31, 1999, 2000, 2001 and the 31st October, 2002?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI U.V. KRISHNAM RAJU): The stock of rice and wheat in the Central Pool as on 31st March, 1999, 2000, 2001 and on 31st October, 2002 was as under:—

(figures in lakh tonnes)

As on	Rice	Wheat	Total
31-3-1999	121.83	96.57	218.40
31-3-2000	157.19	131.87	289.06
31-3-2001	231.91	215.04	446.95
31-10-2002	205.09	330.59	535.68

Export of bad quality rice

2268. SHRI V.V. RAGHAVAN:
SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state: